

PRESS RELEASE

Milan, June 13, 2012 – The current communication concerns the rumours in the print media, without any foundation, alleging an acceptance of the Sator and Palladio offer for the rescue of the Group, including a discharge from legal liability clause in favour of company Directors.

On the request of Consob, we state that, as announced in the press release of the evening of June 11, the Company today communicated to Sator Capital Ltd and Palladio Finanziaria, in relation to their proposal – as reported in the press release of June 8, 2012 – the company's availability to jointly consider, in good faith and without any obligation of exclusivity, the timeframe, terms and conditions for the operation and have approved access to carry out a due diligence to an extent and within a timeframe yet to be established, ensuring however that the underwriting consortium of the capital increase may be promoted in the case of a positive outcome from the negotiations.

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